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**INFORMATIONAL LETTER #99-24**

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**TO:** ALL HOSPITALS AND NURSING FACILITIES

**FROM:** JOHN W. HATHAWAY, Chief  
Bureau of Facility Standards

**SUBJECT:** RECALL OF "STAR" BRAND FIRE SPRINKLERS

This office has recently received notification that the Mealane Corporation is voluntarily recalling "Star" brand fire sprinklers manufactured from 1961 through 1976. The models being recalled are "dry type" models **D-1, RD-1, RE-1, E-1, and ME-1**.

We urge you to review any dry pipe sprinkler systems present in your facilities to determine whether any of the recalled heads are in use. Remember, only "dry-type" heads are involved and only those manufactured between 1961 through 1976.

The enclosure has diagrams of the heads noting the location of identifying information. You may also view photos of each head on the web at **[www.star-recall.com](http://www.star-recall.com)**. You may also contact the Mealane Corporation Star Sprinkler Recall Hotline at 1-800-866-7807 for more information and information on filing a claim for replacement sprinkler heads.

Should you have any questions, please contact Roger Gehrke, Supervisor, Facility Fire Safety & Construction Section of the Bureau at (208) 334-6626.

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